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SUBJECT: US ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM VISIT TO EAST BERLIN

1. AS PREARRANGED, U.S. ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM DROVE TO GDR FOREIGN MINISTRY 10:30 FRIDAY, MARCH 22, AND MET SMALL GDR DELEGATION, HEADED BY FOREIGN MINISTRY DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION GOERLITZ AND CHIEF OF GDR DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OFFICE (DIENSTLUSTUNGSAMT) LOEFFLER.

2. PRELIMINARY MORNING DISCUSSION WAS SHORT AND BUSINESSLIKE. BOTH SIDES REITERATED POSITIONS OUTLINED PREVIOUS SUMMER, AND AGREED ON WORK AGENDA THROUGH MONDAY, MARCH 25.

3. IN AFTERNOON, TEAM INSPECTED RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES IN PANKOW AREA AND SCHADOWSTRASSE CHANCELLERY SITE. INCLUDED IN RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES WAS NEWLY PROPOSED SITE FOR AMBASSADORIAL RESIDENCE--AN ATTRACTIVE APPEARING PRE-WAR COUNTRY-STYLE ESTATE ON APPROXIMATELY TWO-ACRE LOT. INASMUCH AS PROPERTY WAS INHABITED, TEAM WAS ONLY ABLE TO VIEW EXTERIOR.

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4. SITE INSPECTIONS WILL BE COMPLETED ON SATURDAY, MARCH 23, WITH MONDAY, MARCH 25, RESERVED FOR DISCUSSION OF FINDINGS AND OTHER TECHNICAL DETAILS.

5. GDR REPS CLEARLY ON INSTRUCTIONS TO BE FORTHCOMING. ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS, GDR REPS EXPRESSED HOPE THAT BASIC U. S. ADMINISTRATIVE NEEDS CAN SOON BE SATISFIED, SO THAT TWO SIDES CAN MOVE ON IN NEAR FUTURE TO SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS ON ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS.BORG

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